

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN  
NORTHERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

DALE RAY POTTER,

Defendant.

Case No. 20-CR-20257

Honorable Thomas L. Ludington  
Magistrate Judge Patricia T. Morris

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**ORDER ADOPTING THE MAGISTRATE JUDGE'S REPORT AND  
RECOMMENDATION, ACCEPTING DEFENDANT'S PLEA OF GUILTY, AND  
TAKING THE RULE 11 PLEA AGREEMENT UNDER ADVISEMENT**

On February 8, 2021, Magistrate Judge Patricia T. Morris conducted a plea hearing pursuant to Defendant Dale Ray Potter's consent. The Magistrate Judge issued her Report and Recommendation on February 9, 2021, recommending that this Court accept Defendant's plea of guilty. ECF No. 25.

Although the Magistrate Judge's report explicitly stated that the parties to this action could object to and seek review of the recommendation within fourteen days of service of the report, neither Plaintiff nor Defendant filed any objections. The failure to file objections waives any right to appeal the Magistrate Judge's findings that Defendant was competent to enter a plea, and that the plea was entered knowingly, voluntarily, without coercion, and with a basis in fact. *See* Fed. R. Crim. P. 11(b); *Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140, 149 (1985).

Accordingly, it is **ORDERED** that the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation, ECF No. 25, is **ADOPTED**.

It is further **ORDERED** that Defendant's plea of guilty is **ACCEPTED**, and the Rule 11 Plea Agreement, ECF No. 23, is taken **UNDER ADVISEMENT**.

Dated: March 2, 2021

s/Thomas L. Ludington  
THOMAS L. LUDINGTON  
United States District Judge